



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Mail Stop: Amendment**  
Edwin Southern : Attorney Docket No. 99\_1174  
Serial No. 09/422,804 : Group Art Unit 1631  
Filed October 22, 1999 : Examiner John Brusca  
**ANALYSING POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES** : **Confirmation No. 6012**

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 10, 2006, the time for responding thereto being extended for three months in accordance with a petition for extension submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: